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DoD Biometrics Appoints Guzman Policy, Strategy, Liaison Chief

WASHINGTON, D.C., January 28, 2005 – Department of Defense Biometrics announced today that Dr. Joseph Guzman has joined the Biometrics Management Office (BMO) to lead efforts in biometric policy implementation, strategic planning, and stakeholder coordination. Dr. Guzman brings to the Department of Defense a broad public policy analysis portfolio in the areas of national security, biometrics, and military manpower.

Dr. Guzman comes to the Department from the Center for Naval Analyses Corporation (CNAC), a federally funded research and development center serving the Department of the Navy and other defense agencies. At CNAC, he served as a senior economist. Dr. Guzman's assignment is made possible through the Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA) Mobility Program, which permits movement of personnel between qualified organizations.

"The mission of the BMO is critical to our success in the war on terror and to protecting our homeland. CNAC is proud to provide policy leadership for this mission," said Lee F. Gunn, President of the CNAC Institute for Public Research.

"Working with our DoD and U.S. Government partners, DoD Biometrics has taken significant steps to improve our use of biometric technologies, particularly in supporting U.S. efforts in the Global War on Terrorism," said John D. Woodward, Jr., Director of the BMO. "We continue to work this area as an urgent priority and welcome Dr. Guzman to our team. Dr. Guzman's expertise will help DoD Biometrics advance our mission to bring biometrics closer to the warfighter."

Prior to joining CNAC, Dr. Guzman was an economist with RAND Corporation and served as an assistant professor at Georgetown's McDonough School of Business. In addition to a Ph.D. in Economic Analysis and Policy from Stanford University, Dr. Guzman holds a Masters of Business Administration, along with advanced degrees in economics, statistics, and business research from Stanford, as well as an undergraduate degree in engineering from the University of Arizona.

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The Department of Defense (DoD) Biometrics Management Office (BMO) is responsible for leading, consolidating, and coordinating the development, adoption, and use of biometric technologies for the Combatant Commands, Services, and Agencies, to support the warfighter and enhance Joint Service interoperability. The Biometrics Fusion Center (BFC) is the technical and operational arm of the BMO. The BMO reports to the Army Chief Information Officer (CIO/G-6) who acts on behalf of the DoD Executive Agent for Biometrics, the Secretary of the Army. The Identity Protection and Management Senior Coordinating Group provides senior-level, DoD-wide strategic guidance, given its mission to oversee efforts in the areas of Biometrics, Public Key Infrastructure, and Smart Cards. To learn more about DoD Biometrics, please visit www.biometrics.dod.mil.